

against the amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report, which may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony has heard from Chairman Sensenbrenner, Chairman Hoekstra and Representatives Flake, Shays, Berman, Nadler, Jackson-Lee, Waters, Harman, Hastings of Florida, Ruppertsberger, Lowey, Sanders, Maloney and Baldwin.

HYDROGEN ECONOMY FUTURE

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and the Subcommittee on Research held a joint hearing on Fueling the Future: On the Road to the Hydrogen Economy. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Energy: Douglas Faulkner, Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; and George Crabtree, Director, Materials Science Division, Argonne National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

FRAUD IN INCOME TAX RETURN PREPARATION

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on Fraud in Income Tax Return Preparation. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the IRS, Department of the Treasury: Nancy J. Jardini, Chief, Criminal Investigation; and Nina Olson, National Taxpayer Advocate; and public witnesses.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 21, 2005

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: business meeting to mark up an original bill regarding the reauthorization of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 10:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Appropriations: business meeting to consider H.R. 3058, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia,

and independent agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, H.R. 2863, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, H.R. 2528, making appropriations for military quality of life functions of the Department of Defense, military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and proposed legislation making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against the revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the semiannual monetary policy report to the Congress, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 1392, to reauthorize the Federal Trade Commission, proposed MarAd, S. 360, to amend the Coastal Zone Management Act, S. 1390, to reauthorize the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000, S. 363, to amend the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 to establish vessel ballast water management requirements, S. 1110, to amend the Federal Hazardous Substances Act to require engine coolant and antifreeze to contain a bittering agent in order to render the coolant or antifreeze unpalatable, and the nominations of Rebecca F. Dye, of North Carolina, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, Coast Guard officer, and Coast Guard officer of the United States Coast Guard to be a member of the Permanent Commissioned Teaching Staff of the Coast Guard Academy, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider pending nominations; to be followed by a hearing to examine the current state of climate change scientific research and the economics of strategies to manage climate change, focusing on the relationship between energy consumption and climate change, new developments in climate change research and the potential effects on the U.S. economy of climate change and strategies to control greenhouse gas emissions, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Finance: Subcommittee on Long-term Growth and Debt Reduction, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Tax Code's depreciation system focusing on how to amend the current depreciation system to provide simplification and updated guidance for areas such as emerging industries and technologies, and the role that depreciation should play in providing fiscal stimulus or encouraging economic growth for particular industries of the U.S. economy at large, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine United Nations reform, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Alan W. Eastham, Jr., of Arkansas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Malawi, Katherine Hubay Peterson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Botswana, and Michael Retzer, of Mississippi, to be Ambassador to the United Republic of Tanzania, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Bioterrorism and Public Health Preparedness, to hold hearings to examine S. 975, to provide incentives to increase research by private sector entities to develop medical countermeasures to prevent, detect, identify, contain, and treat illnesses, including those associated with biological, chemical, nuclear, or radiological weapons attack or an infectious disease outbreak, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Richard L. Skinner, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, and Edmund S. Hawley, of California, to be Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Homeland Security, and Brian David Miller, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, General Services Administration, 10:45 a.m., S-216, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine U.S. financial involvement relative to the United Nations' Capital Master Plan to renovate the U.N. headquarters in New York City, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 1003, to amend the Act of December 22, 1974, relating to Navajo-Hopi land settlement, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 1389, to reauthorize and improve the USA PATRIOT Act, S. 1088, to establish streamlined procedures for collateral review of mixed petitions, amendments, and defaulted claims, S. 751, to require Federal agencies, and persons engaged in interstate commerce, in possession of data containing personal information, to disclose any unauthorized acquisition of such information, S. 1326, to require agencies and persons in possession of computerized data containing sensitive personal information, to disclose security breaches where such breach poses a significant risk of identity theft, S. 155, to increase and enhance law enforcement resources committed to investigation and prosecution of violent gangs, to deter and punish violent gang crime, to protect law-abiding citizens and communities from violent criminals, to revise and enhance criminal penalties for violent crimes, to reform and facilitate prosecution of juvenile gang members who commit violent crimes, to expand and improve gang prevention programs, S. 103, to respond to the illegal production, distribution, and use of methamphetamine in the United States, S. 1086, to improve the national program to register and monitor individuals who commit crimes against children or sex offenses, S. 956, to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide assured punishment for violent crimes against children, a bill entitled the Personal Data Privacy and Security Act and S. 1197, to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John S. Redd, of Georgia, to be Director of the National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

House

Committee on Agriculture, hearing to Review Agriculture's Role in a Renewable Fuels Standard, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, hearing on U.S. Coast Guard Deepwater Program, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities and the Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Science and Technology of the Committee on Homeland Security, joint hearing on counter terrorism technology sharing, 2:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, to continue markup of H.R. 609, College Access and Opportunity Act, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Credit Card Data Processing: How Secure Is It?" 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, hearing entitled "Controlling Restricted Airspace: An Examination of the Management and Coordination of Our National Air Defense," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations and the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Falun Gong and China's Continuing War on Human Rights, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations, to mark up H.R. 3127, Darfur Peace and Accountability Act of 2005, 5 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1494, Electronic Duck Stamp Act of 2005; and H.R. 3179, Junior Duck Stamp Reauthorization Amendments Act of 2005, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, hearing on U.S. Competitiveness: The Innovation Challenge, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Railroads, oversight hearing on Railroad Grade Crossing Safety Issues, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, oversight hearing on the amendment the Administration submitted to Congress for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Fiscal Year 2006 budget, requesting an additional \$1.977 billion for higher-than-expected veterans' health care needs, 2 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Health, hearing on Value-Based Purchasing for Physicians under Medicare, 1 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meetings

Conference: meeting of conferees on H.R. 6, to ensure jobs for our future with secure, affordable, and reliable energy, 1 p.m., 2123 RHOB.